

CHAPTER NO. 822

HOUSE BILL NO. 1022

By Representative Jackson

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 442

By Senator Graves

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 20, relative to housing authorities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-20-408, is amended by adding the following language to be designated as subsection (c), and by redesignating subsequent subsections accordingly:

(c)(1) Except as provided in §13-20-117(a) for housing authorities in any city or county with a metropolitan form of government, at least one (1) commissioner shall be a resident of public housing. For the purposes of this subsection, a "resident of public housing" means a resident in good standing, at the time of his or her appointment as a commissioner, of public housing or Section 8 housing administered by the local housing authority.

(2) Unless otherwise provided by law, the term of office of such resident shall be for the term provided in subsection (a) or until the person is no longer a resident of public housing, whichever first occurs.

(3) Unless a housing authority has already appointed a resident of low-rent public housing or a housing project as a commissioner, or an appointment procedure is otherwise provided by law, the resident of public housing to be appointed as a commissioner under the provisions of subdivision (1) shall be appointed to a vacancy which is unfilled on the effective date of this act or if no vacancies are unfilled on such date to the first vacancy occurring after the effective date of this act. If the vacancy is to fill an unexpired term, such resident shall be appointed to complete the unexpired term of office created by the vacancy. If the first vacancy occurring is at the expiration of the term of office of a commissioner, then, subject to the provisions of subdivision (2), such resident shall be appointed for the full term of office. Such commissioner position shall thereafter be filled only by a resident of public housing either to fill an unexpired term or at the end of an expired term.

(4) The conclusion of a term shall not constitute a vacancy if the incumbent member is reappointed.

The provisions of this subsection shall be permissive for housing authorities with three hundred (300) or fewer housing units.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 17, 2000


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 24th day of May 2000


DON CONQUIST, GOVERNOR